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## TOWN WARRANT

### The State of New Hampshire

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Dorchester in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:*

*You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Dorchester on Tuesday the 11th day of March, 1980, polls to be open for voting on article I at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon, and to close not earlier than 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon, with action on the remaining articles to be taken commencing at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.*

1. To choose by nonpartisan ballot all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same.
3. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Poor and Old Age Assistance.
4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for repairing highways and bridges for the ensuing year.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$530.46 in order to secure from the State the sum of \$3,536.41 to be expended for town road aid.
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for a reassessment of all taxable property in the Town as ordered by the State Board of Taxation on December 18, 1979, said reassessment to be made by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration if permitted by the Board of Taxation, otherwise by a private firm to be employed by the Selectmen, and to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to set-off against this appropriation.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 to add to the Capital Reserve Fund for repairs to the Town Hall and other Town buildings.
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500 for the Forest Fire Department.
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for fire protection of the Rumney Fire Department for the year March 1, 1980 to March 1, 1981, \$1,800 to be paid to the Town of Rumney and \$200 to be held in escrow by the Dorchester Selectmen for hourly wages of the firemen.
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700 for fire protection of the Canaan Fire Department for the year March 1, 1980 to March 1, 1981, \$500 to be paid to the Town of Canaan and \$200 to be held in escrow by the Dorchester Selectmen for hourly wages of the firemen.
12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for expenditures in the preparation of a Town Master Plan.
13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 to add to the Capital Reserve Fund for snow removal and road equipment.
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$25 to purchase flags to place at the graves of our veterans in Dorchester.
15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer, lease, rent, sell and convey, or otherwise dispose of any real estate or mineral rights acquired by the Town by any Tax Collector's deed.
16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for the purpose of making arrangements for the use of a disposal area for garbage and rubbish for the use of Dorchester residents.
17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$73 as its share of the cost of publicizing and promoting the natural attractions of the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.
18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$150 for the support of the Dorchester Community Library.

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$438.18 in order to support the work of the Mascoma Area Health Council within the Town.
20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$145 as its share of the cost of operating expenses of the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council's Regional Planning Commission.
21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for the support of the Cemetery Fund.
22. To see if the Town will vote to have the exterior of the Dorchester Town Hall and Selectmen's Room/Library painted during the year 1980 (by petition).
23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250 in order to support the medical emergency service and emergency transportation provided by the Canaan F.A.S.T., Inc. within the Town.
24. To hear the reports of agents, auditors or committees heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
25. To act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

*Given under our hands and seals this 12th day of February, 1980.*

ALFRED E. ASHLEY  
ALBERT J. FRANZ  
ERNEST J. HANLEY  
Selectmen of Dorchester

A true copy

ATTEST:

ALFRED E. ASHLEY  
ALBERT J. FRANZ  
ERNEST J. HANLEY



## TOWN OFFICERS

### *Selectmen*

Alfred E. Ashley, '80

Ernest J. Hanley, '82

A. John Franz, '81

### *Moderator*

Alexander Lennox, Jr.

### *Tax Collector*

Delbert Gray

### *Town Clerk*

Nellie M. Ashley

### *Treasurer*

Jean M. Krzyzak

### *Road Agent*

Raymond E. Conkey

### *Forest Fire Warden*

Richard P. Carter

### *Health Officer*

Herbert Wilson

### *Relief Agent*

Barbara Jennings

### *Police Officer and Dog Constable*

John Cote

### *Deputies*

Kenneth Hall — Ralph Gove

### *Trustees of Trust Funds*

Eric Bergstrom, '80

Beverly Hall, '81

Patricia Franz, '82

### *Supervisors of Check Lists*

Marion Delsart, '80

Nancy Cote, '82

Margaret M. Lennox, '84

### *Auditors*

Matilda Ernst

Mary Carroll Abel

### *Cemetery Committee*

Nella H. Ashley, Chairman

Martha L. Walker

Eric Bergstrom

### *Library Trustees*

Robert W. Thayer, '80

Michael Lach, '81, Treas.

Kathy Williams, '83

### *Planning Board*

James H. Gile, Jr., '80

Matilda M. Ernst, '82

Alexander Lennox, Jr., '81, Chairman

Linda M. Gove, '83, Secretary

## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land		
Improved and Unimproved	\$	440,921.00
Buildings		850,155.00
Factory Buildings		4,750.00
Electric Poles and Fixtures		15,348.00
House Trailers (24)		<u>74,350.00</u>
Total Valuation		\$1,385,524.00
Property Exemptions R.S.A. 72:39	\$	<u>50,000.00</u>
Net Valuation		\$1,335,524.00
Veteran's Widow Exemption from Resident Tax (2)		
Tax Rate — \$4.83		

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description:	
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,300.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	2,000.00
Police Department, Equipment	1,500.00
Fire Department, Equipment	600.00
Highway Department, Equipment	25,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	<u>3,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$43,400.00

# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF DORCHESTER, N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year  
January 1, 1980 to December 31, 1980

<b>PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year 1979</b>	<b>Actual Expendi- tures Previous Fiscal Year 1979</b>	<b>Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1980</b>
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town officers' salaries	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,700.36	\$ 6,200.00
Town officers' expenses	1,650.00	2,030.66	2,200.00
Election & Registration exp.	500.00	300.69	900.00
Town hall & other buildings	400.00	426.85	500.00
<b>Protection of Persons &amp; Property:</b>			
Police Department	800.00	1,249.79	1,800.00
Fire dept., incl. forest fires	1,500.00	1,263.76	3,200.00
Planning & Zoning			1,500.00
Insurance	2,100.00	3,042.00	3,500.00
<b>Health Department:</b>			
Hospital - Ambulance	688.68	250.00	688.18
Town Dump	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
<b>Highways &amp; Bridges:</b>			
Town road aid	538.32	538.32	530.46
Town Maintenance	20,000.00	17,340.37	20,000.00
Class V	10,497.69	10,822.09	7,663.28
<b>Libraries:</b>			
Library	150.00	150.00	150.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>			
Town Poor	500.00	262.00	1,000.00
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>			
Flags	25.00		25.00
<b>Recreation:</b>			
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	32.00	32.00	73.00

<b>Public Services Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 500.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>			
Damages & Legal expenses	400.00	800.00	1,200.00
Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council	138.00	138.00	145.00
Town Reassessment			10,000.00
<b>Debt Service:</b>			
Interest on temporary loans	250.00	257.89	300.00
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>			
County Tax	3,800.00	7,085.00	7,500.00
School Tax		44,823.81	
Pemigewasset National Bank (truck loan)	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Pemigewasset National Bank (interest on truck loan)	770.00	770.00	577.50
<b>Payment to Capital Reserve Fund:</b>			
Road Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Building Fund	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$57,239.69</b>	<b>\$103,783.59</b>	<b>\$76,352.42</b>
<b>AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED</b>			
<b>(Exclusive of School and County taxes)</b>			<b>\$37,040.41</b>

<b>SOURCES OF REVENUE</b>	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year 1979	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year 1979	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year 1980
<b>From Local Taxes:</b>			
Resident Taxes	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
Yield Taxes	2,500.00	3,532.00	4,700.00
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	100.00	196.00	200.00
Resident Tax Penalties		30.00	
<b>From State:</b>			
Meals & Rooms Tax	1,300.00	1,132.16	1,000.00
Interest and Dividends Tax	1,800.00	2,339.07	2,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	200.00	235.33	200.00
Highway Subsidy	5,462.82	5,475.01	5,425.48
Town Road Aid	3,588.81	5,782.95	3,536.41
Class V Highway Maintenance	10,497.69	10,497.69	7,663.28
Reimb. a/c State-Federal			
Forest Land	275.00	281.48	275.00
Reimb. a/c Fighting Forest Fires		21.22	
Reimb. a/c Road Toll Refund		57.68	100.00
Additional Highway Subsidy	3,541.86	3,382.32	4,541.84
Business Profits Tax	150.00	1,813.06	1,800.00
<b>From Local Sources, Except Taxes:</b>			
Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	3,000.00	4,551.75	4,500.00
Dog Licenses	150.00	178.25	150.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	25.00	24.00	20.00
Insurance Adjustment		247.00	
Sale of Town Property		1,675.00	
<b>Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:</b>			
Revenue Sharing Fund	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>2,219.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS</b>	<b>\$35,591.18</b>	<b>\$44,976.97</b>	<b>\$39,312.01</b>

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1979**

**ASSETS**

<b>Cash:</b>		
In hands of treasurer	<u>\$15,265.00</u>	
Total		\$15,265.00
<b>Capital Reserve Funds:</b>		
Highway	6,255.00	
Cemetery	1,525.00	
Building	<u>1,717.00</u>	
Total		4,497.00
<b>Unredeemed Taxes:</b>		
Levy of 1978	<u>859.00</u>	
Total		859.00
<b>Uncollected Taxes:</b>		
Levy of 1979, incl. Resident Taxes	10,668.00	
Levy of 1978	1,019.00	
Levy of 1977	<u>90.00</u>	
Total		<u>11,777.00</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$32,398.00</b>
Current Surplus December 31, 1978		22,688.00
Current Surplus December 31, 1979		<u>3,571.00</u>
Increase of Surplus		<b>\$19,117.00</b>

**LIABILITIES**

<b>Accounts owed by the Town:</b>		
Unexpended State Highway		
Subsidy Funds	\$ 1,000.00	
School District Tax Payable	<u>23,330.00</u>	
Total Accounts Owed by the Town		<b>\$24,330.00</b>

Capital Reserve Funds:	<u>\$ 4,497.00</u>	
		<u>\$ 4,497.00</u>
Total Liabilities		\$28,827.00
Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)		<u>3,571.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL		<u>\$32,398.00</u>

## RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:		
From Local Taxes:		
Property Taxes – Current Year – 1979	\$52,472.00	
Resident Taxes – Current Year – 1979	1,200.00	
Yield Taxes – Current Year – 1979	<u>3,532.00</u>	
Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted		\$57,204.00
Property Taxes & Yield Taxes-Prev. Year	6,698.00	
Resident Taxes – Previous Year	140.00	
Interest Rec'd on Delinquent Taxes	196.00	
Penalties: Resident Taxes	13.00	
Tax Sales redeemed	<u>517.00</u>	
Total Previous Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted		<u>7,564.00</u>
Total Taxes Collected and Remitted		<u>\$64,768.00</u>
From State:		
Meals and Rooms Tax	\$ 1,132.00	
Interest & Dividends Tax	2,339.00	
Savings Bank Tax	235.00	
Highway Subsidy	8,858.00	
Town Road Aid	3,588.00	
Class V Highway Maintenance	10,497.00	
Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	281.00	
Reimb. a/c Fighting Forest Fires	21.00	
Reimb. a/c Road Toll Refund	58.00	
Reimb. a/c Business Profits Tax	<u>1,813.00</u>	
Total Receipt From State		\$28,822.00
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:		
Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	\$ 4,668.00	
Dog Licenses	178.00	
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	<u>12.00</u>	
		\$ 4,858.00

<b>Total Income From Local Sources (carried forward)</b>		<b>\$ 98,448.00</b>
<b>Receipts Other than Current Revenue:</b>		
Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$20,000.00	
Insurance Adjustments	247.00	
Sale of Town Property	1,675.00	
Yield Tax Security Deposits	<u>2,347.00</u>	
<b>Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue</b>		<b>24,269.00</b>
<b>Grants From Federal Government:</b>		
Revenue Sharing	2,219.00	
Interest on Investments of Revenue Sharing Funds	<u>106.00</u>	
<b>Total Grants From Federal Government</b>		<b>2,325.00</b>
<b>Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue</b>		<b>26,594.00</b>
<b>Total Receipts From All Sources</b>		<b>125,042.00</b>
Cash on hand January 1, 1980		<u>22,688.00</u>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$147,730.00</b>

## PAYMENTS

<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>		
<b>General Government:</b>		
Town Officers' salaries	\$ 5,700.00	
Town Officers' expenses	2,031.00	
Election & Registration expenses	301.00	
Town Hall & Other Buildings expense	<u>427.00</u>	
<b>Total General Governmental Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 8,459.00</b>
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>		
Police Department	\$ 1,250.00	
Fire Dept. incl. Forest Fires	1,264.00	
Insurance	<u>3,042.00</u>	
<b>Total Protection of Persons &amp; Property Exp.</b>		<b>5,556.00</b>
<b>Health:</b>		
Health Dept.-Hospital-Ambulance	\$ 250.00	
Town Dump	<u>1,500.00</u>	
<b>Total Health Expenses</b>		<b>1,750.00</b>



<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>		
Town road aid	\$ 5,783.00	
Town Maintenance	17,340.00	
Additional Highway Subsidy	2,382.00	
Class V	<u>10,822.00</u>	
<b>Total Highway and Bridges Expenses</b>		\$36,327.00
<b>Libraries:</b>		150.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>		
Town Poor	<u>262.00</u>	
<b>Total Public Welfare Expenses</b>		262.00
<b>Public Services Enterprises:</b>		
Cemeteries	<u>300.00</u>	
<b>Total Public Service Enterprise Expenses</b>		300.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>		
Damages & Legal Expenses	800.00	
Advertising & Regional Associations	<u>170.00</u>	
<b>Total Unclassified Expenses</b>		970.00
<b>Debt Service:</b>		
Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	20,000.00	
Principal – long term notes & bonds	3,500.00	
Interest – long term notes & bonds	770.00	
Interest on temporary loans	<u>259.00</u>	
<b>Total Debt Service Payments</b>		24,529.00
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>		
Snow removal & Road Equipment	1,000.00	
Town Hall & Other Buildings	<u>200.00</u>	
<b>Total Outlay Payments</b>		1,200.00
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>		
Payment to State a-c Dog License Fees	22.00	
Payments to State a-c 2% Bond & Debt		
Retirement Taxes	1,029.00	
Taxes paid to county	7,085.00	
Payments to School Districts	<u>44,824.00</u>	
<b>Total Payments to Other Governmental Div.</b>		<u>\$52,960.00</u>

<b>Total Payments to Other Governmental Div. (carried forward)</b>	<b>\$ 52,960.00</b>
<b>Total Payments for all Purposes</b>	<b>132,463.00</b>
<b>Cash on hand December 31, 1979</b>	<b><u>15,265.00</u></b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$147,728.00</b>

### SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

<b>Long Term Notes Outstanding:</b>	
Pemigewasset National Bank – for General Purpose Bonds	<u>\$10,500.00</u>
<b>Total Long Term Notes Outstanding</b>	<b><u>\$10,500.00</u></b>
<b>Total Long Term Indebtedness – Dec. 31, 1979</b>	<b>\$10,500.00</b>

### CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ALFRED E. ASHLEY  
ALBERT J. FRANZ  
ERNEST J. HANLEY  
Selectmen

JEAN M. KRZYZAK  
Treasurer

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### Salaries of Principal Town Officers:

Alfred E. Ashley – Selectman	\$ 800.00
Albert John Franz – Selectman	800.00
Ernest J. Hanley – Selectman	800.00
Nellie M. Ashley – Town Clerk	536.00
Jean M. Krzyzak – Treasurer	300.00
Delbert B. Gray – Tax Collector	1,514.36
Nella H. Ashley – Selectmen's Clerk	900.00
Matilda M. Ernst – Auditor	25.00
Mary Carroll Abell – Auditor	25.00

### Town Officers' Expenses:

Branham Publishing Co. – auto ref. book	13.25
Homestead Press – Supplies	60.55
Union Leader Corp. – truck bids	13.23
N.H.M.A. Unemployment Comp.	8.43
Mountain Media – notices & truck bids & Rev. Sharing ad	116.05
Nellie M. Ashley – postage	5.55
Ernest J. Hanley – mileage & expenses	89.00
Alfred E. Ashley – mileage & expenses	105.00
Nella H. Ashley – office supplies, mileage & expenses	55.67
Dow Manufacturing Co. – dog tags	12.63
Brown and Saltmarsh – supplies	149.93
New England Tel. – services	66.57
Valley News – truck bids	38.30
Clifford-Nicol – printing Town Reports, ballots and selectmen's stamp	630.55
Treas. State of N.H. – postage & handling	1.85
Postmaster, Rumney, N.H. – stamps	75.00
N.H. Municipal Assoc. – dues	200.00
N.H. Assessors Assoc. – dues	20.00
N.H. City & Town Clerk's Assoc. – dues	10.00
Albert John Franz – mileage & expenses	158.20
N.H. Tax Collector's Assoc. – dues	12.00
Delbert B. Gray – Town Officers bonds	145.00
Treas. State of N.H. – Dog License Fees	21.90

**TOTAL**

**\$7,709.02**

**Election & Registration Expenses:**

Conn. Valley Reporter – Supervisor's notices	\$ 31.84	
Mt. Media – Supervisor's notices	15.30	
Margaret M. Lennox – Supervisor & postage	69.05	
Nancy A. Cote – Supervisor	48.00	
Marion Delsart – Supervisor	27.00	
Arlene Carter – Ballot Clerk	15.00	
Frances Merrill – Ballot Clerk	15.00	
Alexander Lennox, Jr. – Moderator	27.00	
Albert J. Franz – Selectman at Polls	14.00	
Alfred E. Ashley – Selectman at Polls	17.50	
Ernest J. Hanley – Selectman at Polls	3.50	
Nellie M. Ashley – Town Clerk at Polls	17.50	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 300.69</b>

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Number of Cars — 236	\$4,551.75
Filing Fees	12.00
Dogs — 44	<u>178.25</u>
Paid to Treasurer	\$4,742.00

Respectfully Submitted,  
NELLIE M. ASHLEY  
Town Clerk

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## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE For the Year Ending December 31, 1979

John A. Cote — Chief		
Number of Calls — 85		
Wages	\$409.50	
Mileage — 703 mi.	<u>140.60</u>	\$550.10
Ralph L. Gove — Deputy		
Number of Calls — 15		
Wages	176.75	
Mileage — 320 mi.	<u>64.00</u>	240.75
Kenneth Hall — Deputy		
Number of Calls — 2		
Wages	22.75	
Mileage — 40 mi.	<u>8.00</u>	30.75
New Equipment		<u>167.07</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$988.67</b>

All wages and expenses are paid in full.

All time and calls are recorded in the Police Log Book.

This is a true and exact statement,  
JOHN A. COTE  
Chief of Police

John A. Cote  
Chief of Police  
Tel. 786-9035

Ralph L. Gove  
Deputy  
Tel. 523-4570

Kenneth Hall  
Deputy  
Tel. 786-9703

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

### SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES LEVY OF 1979

—DR.—

**Taxes Committed to Collector**

Property Taxes	\$63,204.26
Resident Taxes	<u>1,430.00</u>

<b>Total Warrants</b>	<b>\$64,634.26</b>
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<b>Yield Taxes</b>	<b>4,196.82</b>
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**Added Taxes:**

Resident Taxes	\$ 70.00	70.00
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<b>Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes</b>	<b><u>16.00</u></b>
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<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$68,917.08</b>
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**Remittances to Treasurer:**

Property Taxes	\$52,472.07
Resident Taxes	1,200.00
Yield Taxes	<u>4,204.13</u>
	\$57,876.20

**Abatements Made During Year**

Property Taxes	<u>\$ 364.49</u>
	\$ 364.49

**Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1979**

Property Taxes	\$10,367.60
Residents Taxes	300.00
Yield Taxes	<u>8.79</u>
	<u>\$10,676.39</u>

<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$68,917.08</b>
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**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS  
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES  
LEVY OF 1978**

—DR.—

**Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1979:**

Property Taxes	\$7,685.26
Resident Taxes	290.00
Yield Taxes	<u>23.56</u>

\$7,998.82

Interest Coll. on Delinquent Property Taxes	173.92
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	<u>13.00</u>
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**TOTAL DEBITS**

**\$8,185.74**

—CR.—

**Remittances to Treasurer During  
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1979:**

Property Taxes	\$6,826.63
Resident Taxes	130.00
Interest Collected During Year	173.92
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>13.00</u>

\$7,143.55

**Uncollected Taxes - Dec. 31, 1979:**

Property Taxes	\$ 858.63
Resident Taxes	160.00
Yield Taxes	<u>23.56</u>

\$1,042.19

**TOTAL CREDITS**

**\$8,185.74**

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS  
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES  
LEVY OF 1977**

—DR.—

**Uncollected Taxes - As of  
January 1, 1979:**

Property Taxes	\$387.64
Resident Taxes	<u>100.00</u>

\$487.64

**Interest Collected on Delinquent  
Property Taxes**

22.45

**Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes**

1.00

**TOTAL DEBITS**

**\$511.09**

—CR.—

**Remittances to Treasurer During  
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1979:**

Property Taxes	\$387.64
Resident Taxes	10.00
Interest Collected During Year	22.45
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>1.00</u>

\$421.09

**Uncollected Taxes -**

**December 31, 1979:**

Resident Taxes	<u>\$ 90.00</u>
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\$ 90.00

**TOTAL CREDITS**

**\$511.09**



**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS  
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1979**

—DR.—

Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:

	1978	1977	1976	Previous Years
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	\$1,375.62			
Interest Collected After Sale	27.18			
Redemption Costs	<u>11.10</u>			
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$1,413.90</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>

—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer

During Year:

Redemptions \$ 516.99

Interest & Costs After Sale 38.28

Abatements During Year None

Unredeemed Taxes -

Dec. 31, 1979 858.63

<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$1,413.90</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>
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**UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALE  
JULY 31, 1979**

Levies of 1978

George Ayres \$ 111.23

Sherrill A. Canady 190.68

George & Nadine Conkey 229.84

Forrest & Constance Currier 326.88

**\$ 858.63**

I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1979, on account of the tax levy of 1978, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DELBERT B. GRAY, Tax Collector

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Receipts:

Cash on Hand January 1, 1979	\$ 22,688.29	
From Tax Collector	65,551.65	
From Town Clerk	4,860.25	
From Selectmen	<u>54,626.83</u>	
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>\$147,727.02</b>

### Payments:

By order of Selectmen	<u>132,461.91</u>	
<b>Cash on Hand December 31, 1979</b>		<b>\$ 15,265.11</b>

### REVENUE SHARING FUND

1978 Balance	\$ 540.03	
1979 Received	2,219.00	
1979 Interest	<u>106.13</u>	
<b>Balance on Hand December 31, 1979</b>		<b>\$ 2,865.16</b>

Respectfully Submitted,

JEAN M. KRZYZAK  
Treasurer

## TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

### CEMETERY FUNDS

Balance on Hand January 1, 1979	\$1,444.91	
New Funds Created	<u>0.00</u>	
		\$1,444.91
Income:		
Interest received during year	<u>\$ 80.50</u>	
Balance on Hand December 31		\$1,525.41

### CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

#### Snow Removal Equipment

Balance on Hand January 1, 1979	\$5,000.18	
Interest during year	255.42	
Received from Selectmen	<u>1,000.00</u>	
		\$6,255.60
Expended during year	<u>0.00</u>	
Balance on Hand December 31		\$6,255.60

### TOWN BUILDING FUND

Balance on Hand January 1, 1979	\$1,644.91	
Interest during year	78.83	
Received from Selectmen	<u>200.00</u>	
		\$1,923.74
Expended during year (paint for interior of Town Hall)	<u>206.63</u>	
Balance on Hand December 31		\$1,717.11

Respectfully Submitted,

ERIC BERGSTROM  
BEVERLY HALL  
PATRICIA FRANZ  
Trustees of Trust Funds

## REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

Total Appropriation

\$20,000.00

Expenditures: — Labor

Raymond E. Conkey	\$5,460.48
Cushman Ainslie	511.00
Robert Hannett	2,010.99
Frederick Landon	56.00
Gene C. Sanborn	7.00
Clarence Poitras, Sr.	<u>179.75</u>

Total Labor

\$ 8,225.22

Miscellaneous Payments

Raymond E. Conkey — mileage & pick-up, plowing	\$1,492.78
Shortt's Garage — inspection & gas	79.35
Brooks Auto Supply — parts	252.17
Internal Revenue — withholding	338.80
Buck's Welding Service — repairs	490.43
Camper's Rest — gas	1,223.03
Central Distributors — parts	9.39
International Salt Co. — road salt	318.78
Webster Motors — truck repairs	344.79
Harold's General Repair — repairs	95.07
Ireton Const. — equipment rental	1,220.00
Campton Sand & Gravel — cold patch	601.39
T.B.C. Machinery — parts	234.45
Irving MacDonald — trucking	504.00
Sanel Auto Parts — parts	23.46
Phyllis Ashley — sandpile	500.00
Hawthorne Enterprises — parts	16.45
Nichol's Hardware — bolts & shovels	28.48
Ernest Mitchell — dozer	300.00
Merrimack Farmers Exch. — parts	20.32
M & M Equipment — parts	87.93
Belknap Tire — tires & tubes	537.30
Richard Carter — pick-up	18.00
Ernest J. Hanley — mileage	8.00
Larry H. Walker, Sr. — pick-up plowing	81.00

Sanborn Repair – truck repairs	\$ 102.02	
Kibby Equipment – plow blades	<u>187.76</u>	
<b>Total Parts and Services</b>		<b>\$ 9,115.15</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$17,340.37</b>
<b>Cash on Hand, December 31, 1979</b>		<b>\$ 2,659.63</b>

**Maintenance Allotment from State for Class V Highways:**

1979 Allotment	\$10,497.69
Balance 1978 Allotment	<u>324.40</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,822.09</b>
Rebuilding Cummings Pond Road	<u>10,822.09</u>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**T.R.A.**

1979 Allotment	\$ 5,782.95
Rebuilding Cummings Pond Road	<u>5,782.95</u>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**Additional Highway Subsidy:**

Received from State	\$ 3,382.32
Expended	<u>2,381.79</u>
<b>Balance on Hand December 31, 1979</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.53</b>

Respectfully Submitted,

RAYMOND E. CONKEY  
Road Agent

## **REPORT OF DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF and TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

Prevention and control of forest fires is handled through a cooperative effort between town/city fire organizations and the State Forest Fire Service.

Since 1903, when the first forest fire laws were passed by our Legislature, the State Forester has appointed someone in each municipality as a Forest Fire Warden and charged him with the responsibility of forest fire prevention and control within his town/city. This person may ask the State Forester to appoint as many Deputy Forest Fire Wardens as may be necessary to efficiently carry out his charge.

The State Forester has divided the State into ten forest fire districts with a full time District Forest Fire Chief in each district. The State organization is charged with assisting the municipal forest fire organization in any way possible.

State personnel conduct fire training schools, assist with forest fire suppression, fire cause investigation, prosecution of fire law violators and forest fire prevention programs. Forest fire suppression equipment is purchased through State bulk purchasing ability and sold to local forest fire organizations at one-half cost. Excess military property is obtained and turned over to town/city fire departments at no cost to local departments for conversion into fire suppression units. This cooperative arrangement between State and municipality has resulted in one of the best forest fire records in the United States with less than one-half acre of woodland burned in each fire reported.

### **1979 Forest Fire Statistics**

	<b>No. of Fires</b>	<b>No. of Acres Burned</b>
<b>State</b>	1,099	318
<b>District</b>	21	16.4
<b>Town</b>	0	0

**JOHN Q. RICARD**  
District Fire Chief

**RICHARD P. CARTER**  
Forest Fire Warden

## FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

Richard P. Carter – Warden – Expenses – 1979 \$ 60.00

### Deputy Wardens:

Louis Delsart	\$ 25.00
George Conkey	25.00
Robert W. Thayer	25.00
Albert Carter	<u>25.00</u>

Total Deputy Wardens \$ 100.00

### Training Meeting at Canaan:

Richard P. Carter – Warden – Expenses	\$ 32.14
Louis Delsart – Deputy – Expenses	26.62
Town of Canaan – Fire Dep't.	45.00
(Fires at Thomas & Sheltry residences)	<u>          </u>

Total Expenses \$ 263.76

Town of Rumney – Fire Department – Fire Protection \$1,000.00

**TOTAL** \$1,263.76

Respectfully submitted,  
RICHARD P. CARTER  
Forest Fire Warden

## REPORT OF RELIEF AGENT

Town Poor – 1 case

\$262.00

Respectfully Submitted,

BARBARA JENNINGS  
Relief Agent

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## AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Cemeteries, Library and Trustees of Trust Funds and find correctly and properly vouched.

February 11, 1980

MARY CARROLL ABEL  
MATILDA M. ERNST  
Auditors



# REPORT OF THE DORCHESTER CEMETERY COMMITTEE

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on Hand January 1, 1979	\$213.58	
Received from Selectmen	<u>300.00</u>	
		\$513.58
Payments:		
Care of Dorchester Cemetery	\$229.00	
Care of Cheever Cemetery	85.00	
Care of Town House Cemetery	86.00	
Care of North Dorchester Cemetery	26.00	
Care of "See-it-All" Cemetery	28.00	
Bank Service Charges	<u>1.93</u>	
		<u>\$455.93</u>
Balance on Hand December 31, 1979		\$ 57.65

The dead trees which have long endangered the fence at the Cheever Cemetery have been removed. Several boards must be replaced which were broken by falling trees in recent years and the fence must be painted. The gate at the Town House Cemetery also needs repair and painting. More work should be done on the wall and a proper gate made for the "See-it-All" Cemetery to keep out the sheep which each year knock over the gravestones.

Since our balance on hand at the end of this year is much less than last year and we cannot be sure of the sale of any lots for income we are asking for more money to be appropriated for the care of our cemeteries.

Respectfully submitted,

NELLA H. ASHLEY

MARTHA L. WALKER

ERIC P. BERGSTROM

Dorchester Cemetery Committee

## DORCHESTER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The resources of our library were vastly augmented last year when we received a collection of National Geographics from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Fraser, Jr. Spanning the 64 years from 1910 to 1974, the collection is a valuable addition to the library and we thank the Frasers for their generosity. We hope that many residents will find the magazines useful as well as interesting.

Books from the library were read by more adults and fewer children in 1979, possibly because, due to a shortage of volunteers, we weren't able to continue the 4-6 P.M. hours, and have been open only on Wednesday evenings from 6-8 P.M.

Total circulation in 1979 included 228 adult books, 217 junior books and 107 magazines.

However, a total of 39 children attended the five films during the Summer Film Series, and the children not only enjoyed the films, but had more opportunities to select books. Circulation of children's books was high during this period.

Shades were purchased for the windows, so that we can show films during the daylight hours. Other purchases included four small chairs. These were bought from the Enfield Village School.

We also bought 22 junior books and 4 for adults and subscribed to National Geographics, Crafts'n Things, Popular Mechanics, Saturday Evening Post, Woman's Day, Ranger Rick and the Curious Naturalist.

In November we were given two enormous bookcases by the Enfield Village School. We are grateful for the additional shelf space particularly since it allowed us, finally, to take our collection of National Geographics out of boxes and place it on shelves. I would like to thank Raymond Conkey, Clark Williams and Herb Wilson who gave their time and energy to move the bookcases from Enfield to the library.

Other volunteers who deserve thanks from all of us are Cheryl Conkey, Nancy Cote, Nella Ashley and Miss Nellie Ashley. They have helped during open hours, as well as with cataloguing, typing, cleaning and reorganizing the shelves.

I also wish to thank Trustee Kathy Williams, whose enthusiastic support of the library has been demonstrated in her readiness to help with everything from the book purchasing to running the film series.

We have been glad to see new faces at the library in 1979, and look forward to seeing more in 1980.

Respectfully submitted,  
CAROL H. WILSON  
Librarian

### FINANCIAL REPORT

#### Receipts

Balance on Hand January 1, 1979	\$130.14
Received from Selectmen	<u>150.00</u>

<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$280.14</b>
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#### Expenditures

Noyes Insurance Agency, Inc.	\$ 32.00
Books	157.41
Bank Service Charge	1.00
Mailing	5.00
Enfield School (chairs)	10.00
Shades	41.44
Postage/printing	<u>19.05</u>

<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b><u>\$265.90</u></b>
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<b>Balance on Hand December 31, 1979</b>	<b>\$ 14.24</b>
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Respectfully submitted,  
ROBERT W. THAYER, CHAIRMAN  
MICHAEL J. LACH  
KATHY WILLIAMS, TREASURER  
Board of Trustees

## MASCOMA AREA HEALTH COUNCIL 1979 Town Report

The Health Council is the visiting nurse service of the Mascoma area, your non-emergency community health organization ready to answer questions and provide services.

Under doctor's orders our nurses give skilled care in the home that can shorten or avoid hospitalization and long trips. The nurses are also available for consultation, to give health information and education. Our physical therapist assists numerous Mascoma residents and we have trained home health aides available. The staff cooperates with many other organizations in the area, providing testing, examinations, immunizations, counseling and other health services to those of all ages.

The child health program, with visits to newborns, well child and dental clinics, and follow ups by the nurse practitioner serves well over half the pre-first graders in the five towns. The program often identifies problems that can be corrected before they cause difficulties in the school years. Some of the Council's services are free and none is denied because of inability to pay.

Financing for the Council's services comes from sources such as Medicare, Blue-Cross, State of New Hampshire grants, patient fees, contributions, and town funds. Since Mascoma citizens organized the Council in 1969 it has proven a more cost effective nursing service than others in the region. The requested support from the towns for 1980-81 represents less than 19% of the budget, down from about 35% a few years ago and the same amount as for 1979-80.

Each of you is a member of the Council and you are invited to attend the monthly meetings of the 21-member board of directors that represents your interests.

The council staff is ready to help you, whether you have questions about health or other services, are baffled by Medicare, or need medical equipment from our loan closet. Please call them at 632-7234.

Respectfully submitted,  
DALE PETERS BRYANT  
Chairman — Mascoma Area  
Health Council

Skilled Nursing — visits to the home	171
Physical Therapy — visits to the home	71
Pre-school Dental	1
Children enrolled in the Well Child Clinic	9
Visits to the clinic by children	10
Follow up visits by Pediatric Nurse Practitioner	15
Newborn visits	2

## GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORT

### To the Citizens of Grafton County:

In an effort to communicate more directly with the taxpaying citizens of Grafton County, we, the Grafton County Commissioners, are writing to you through your individual town or municipal reports.

Last year (1978-79) the total county tax raised was \$1,977,142. These monies were appropriated by the County Delegation and administered by the Commissioners. Some of the ways this money was spent was in maintenance of our courthouse, nursing home, county farm, sheriff's department, jail and house of correction, social welfare, etc.

The average number of patients in our nursing home is 140. The average daily census of the Jail/House of Correction is 25. We had a total of 349 inmates in the Jail and 114 inmates in the House of Correction during our fiscal year.

In addition to providing food for the nursing home complex and agricultural services for the community, the farm also continually shows a profit. In our fiscal year 1979 the farm profit was \$60,654, due in part to sales of pigs at \$5,500, cows at \$27,000, wood at \$1,800, hay at \$2,100, milk at \$135,444 and produce at \$48,129.

We have completed Phase II-Design of the sewage project and anticipate beginning construction under Phase III in the spring. The total overall cost of the project is approximately \$540,000, of which \$400,000 is federal grant, \$110,000 State share and \$30,000 County Share.

We are making an effort to conserve energy, particularly in the courthouse building, and are taking a hard look at any modifications in this so called "modern" facility that will make it a less expensive consumer of fuel.

A trial dispatching service was instituted for 16 area fire departments and probably will be made a permanent function during the latter part of 1979. A yearly fee is charged for this service.

Grafton County employs 230 people of whom we are very proud. It is because of these people that Grafton County continues to operate efficiently and within budget.

There are many other concerns that we, the Commissioners, deal with. We invite the citizens of Grafton County to take part in any of our regular meetings held each Monday morning at the courthouse in North Haverhill.

RICHARD L. BRADLEY, Chairman  
DOROTHY CAMPION, Clerk  
ARTHUR SNELL

# MARRIAGES — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1979

Date & Place	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Name of Parents
July 21, 1979 Dorchester, N.H.	Ralph Lawrence Gove	Dorchester	Charles L. Gove Leona Davis
	Linda Marion Kimball	Dorchester	Malcolm D. Merrill Frances E. Willey

# BIRTHS — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1979

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Mother	Name of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Birthplace of Father
March 29, 1979 Nashua, N.H.	Faith Anne Norris	F	Donna Marie Lelis	Donald Wm. Norris	Mass.	N.J.
Aug. 20, 1979 Plymouth, N.H.	Jessica Rachel Bean	F	Cathleen Anne Rennert	Kenneth Cedric Bean	New York	Ohio

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